

## State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Earl Fisher, and we are richer because Earl lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Earl was born on July 15, 1923, to Arthur and Clara Fisher in New Underwood, South Dakota. He was the fourth of nine children and was raised in Dalzell, South Dakota. As a teenager, Earl worked for his father at Fisher Trucking hauling livestock, and he worked for Levi Trucking hauling gravel to build runways at Ellsworth Air Force Base outside of Rapid City, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Earl entered the United States Navy during WWII in 1943, and was stationed in the South Pacific, Guadalcanal, Bougainville, New Caledonia, and the Philippines; and,

Whereas, Earl married Laura Koch in Belle Fourche, South Dakota, on October 10, 1947, and to this union four children were born, who in turn blessed them with seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and,

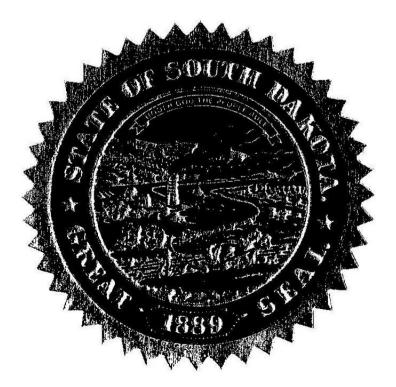
Whereas, Earl worked for Chicago Northwestern Railroad and worked on roofs at Ellsworth Air Force Base. In 1953, he started Fisher Roofing Service and continued roofing jobs until he was 87 years old; and,

Whereas, Earl will observe his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 15, 2013, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State